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PLANTS TOLERANT TO BIOTIC AND ABIOTIC STRESSES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

January 21, 2005

Hon. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination of this application, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are respectfully requested.

Amended portions of the **specification** are presented on page 2.

A priority claim has been added.

The claims are presented on pages 3-5.

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Claims 1-4 and 6-10 are amended.

Remarks begin on page 6.